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PSC SETS INTERVENTION DEADLINE IN ELECTRIC TERRITORIAL AGREEMENT CASE

JEFFERSON CITY--The Empire District Electric Company (Empire) and White River Valley Electric Cooperative (White River Valley) have filed a joint application with the Missouri Public Service Commission seeking to amend a territorial agreement approved by the Commission in March 1996. That territorial agreement designated the boundaries of Empire and White River Valley within Taney County.

According to the application filed by Empire and White River Valley, the two electric service providers are seeking Commission approval to amend the territorial agreement so that Empire will be able to provide service to a new structure in Branson. That new structure, which the parties state is currently in White River Valley's service territory, adjoins a structure currently served by Empire. The application states it is in the public interest to avoid having two different suppliers providing electric service to adjoining structures. The joint applicants have proposed amending the present territorial agreement in order that Empire may serve the new structure.

Applications to intervene and participate in this case must be filed on or before March 10, 2005, with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. Copies of the application should be sent to: Dean Cooper, Esq., Brydon, Swearingen & England, P.C., 312 East Capitol, P.O. Box 456, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102; Christaan D. Horton, Esq., Neale & Newmann, LLP, 1949 E. Sunshine, Suite 1-130, Springfield, Missouri 65808-0327; and the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. The Office of the Public Counsel is a separate state agency which represents the general public in cases before the Commission.